class of 2020

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Kasdm
Astrid
amie
Hope♡
Chloe
Mikeeeg
Shade♡
Tiffany
DANC♡
siddnely
Addison
Smors♡
Katie
aguer
Cassia
Verry/wp
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Bubbles
Hermès
Fifi
Kenn♡
Jmod
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ANDREW
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SanjiranM
Otter
Caroleen
Cheese
Skinny
emily♡
Hogue
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Mary
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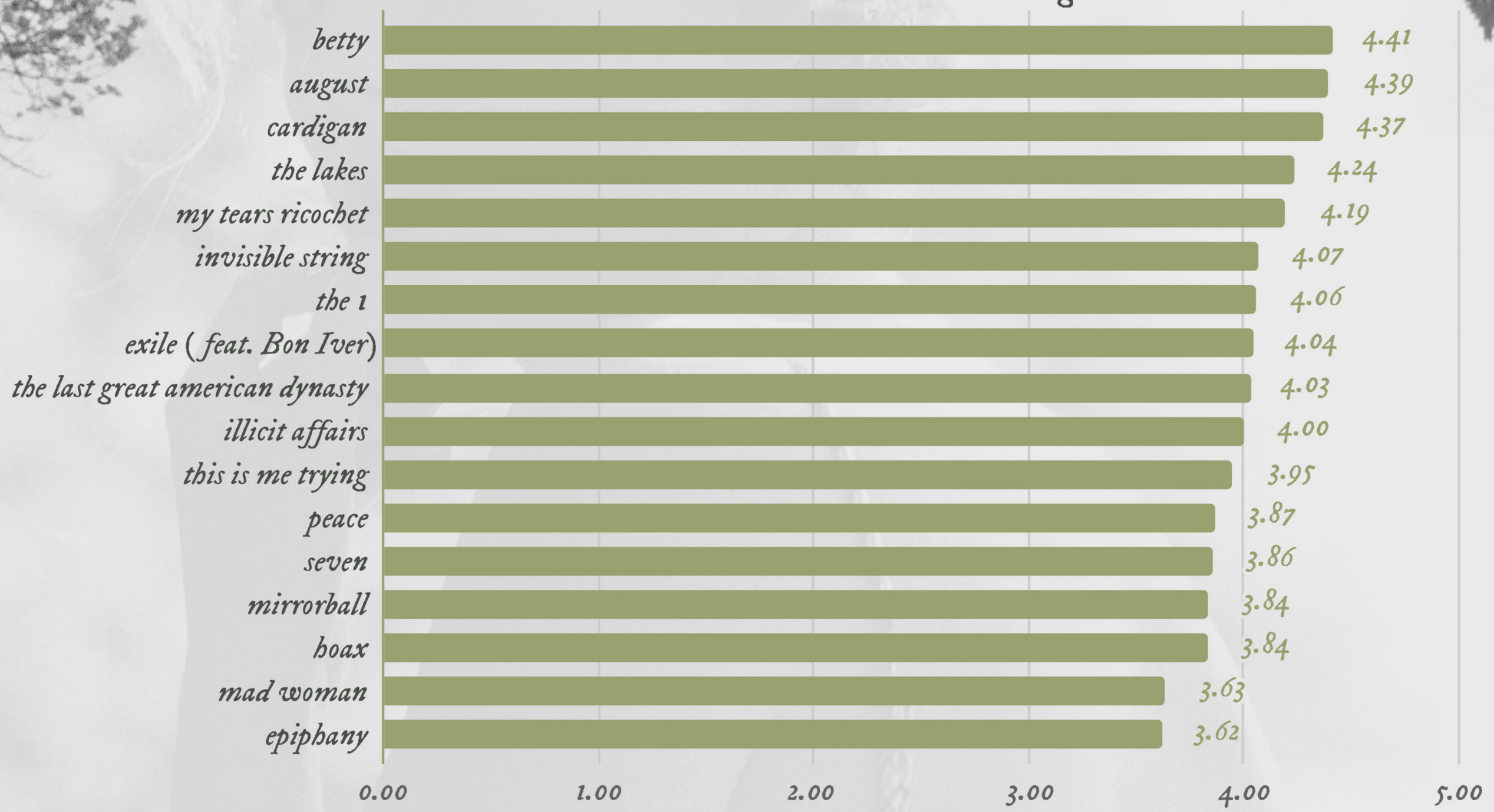
folklore

'folklore' was released a mere 11 months after 'Lover'. On July 23, Taylor made a surprise announcement just 16 hours before its release. In the span of a week, we saw an influx of about 5,000 new users, with over 2,000 who stayed. To celebrate 'folklore', we had a listening party in #meredith, which allowed us all to listen to the album for the first time, together.

Here's how the server as a whole ranks each song:



Some interesting observations:

1. the top three tracks are the same three tracks that are part of the love-triangle storyline;

2. "the lakes", the bonus track, was released much later than the rest of the album; however, it is the fourth top-rated track;

3. "my tears ricochet" and "illicit affairs" rank as the same numbers as their respective placements on the album's tracklist;

4. despite being written partly about the pandemic, "epiphany" ranks lowest among all 17 tracks;

5. four of the top five tracks, "betty", "august", "the lakes", and "my tears ricochet", were produced by Antonoff and Swift, with Dessner also producing "betty".

saves

favorite save

!g liver2

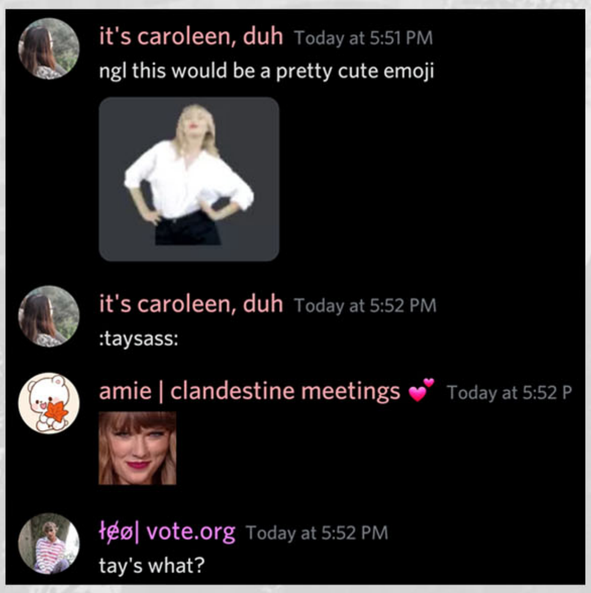
One of our beloved mods, Chloe, attempted to bake cookies for the baking event. Unfortunately, they ended up looking not so much like cookies, but like a liver. People noticed that the result was similar to "!g liver", a popular save mocking the humorous misspelling of 'Lover'. "!g liver2" was then saved by Garrett on September 12. It quickly became a beloved community joke, still referenced to this day.

honorable mentions

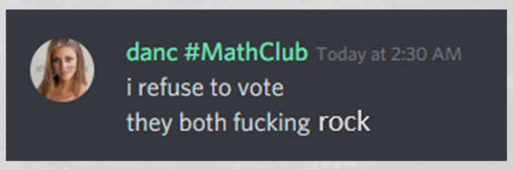
!g bed

!g thegoat

!g taysass



!g polls2



!g fifi2

!g 2020

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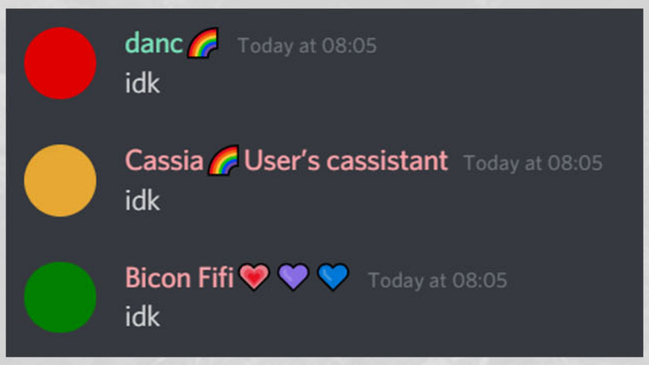
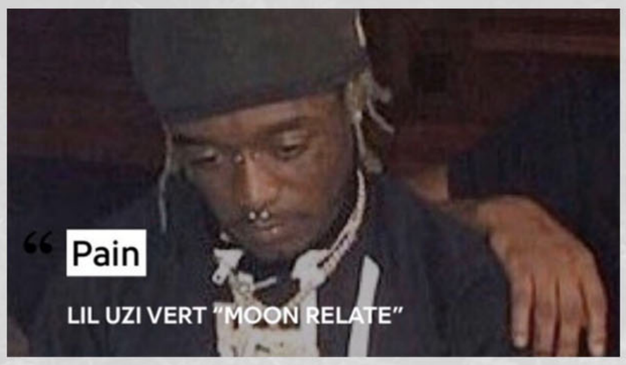
!g bread2

!g trafficlights

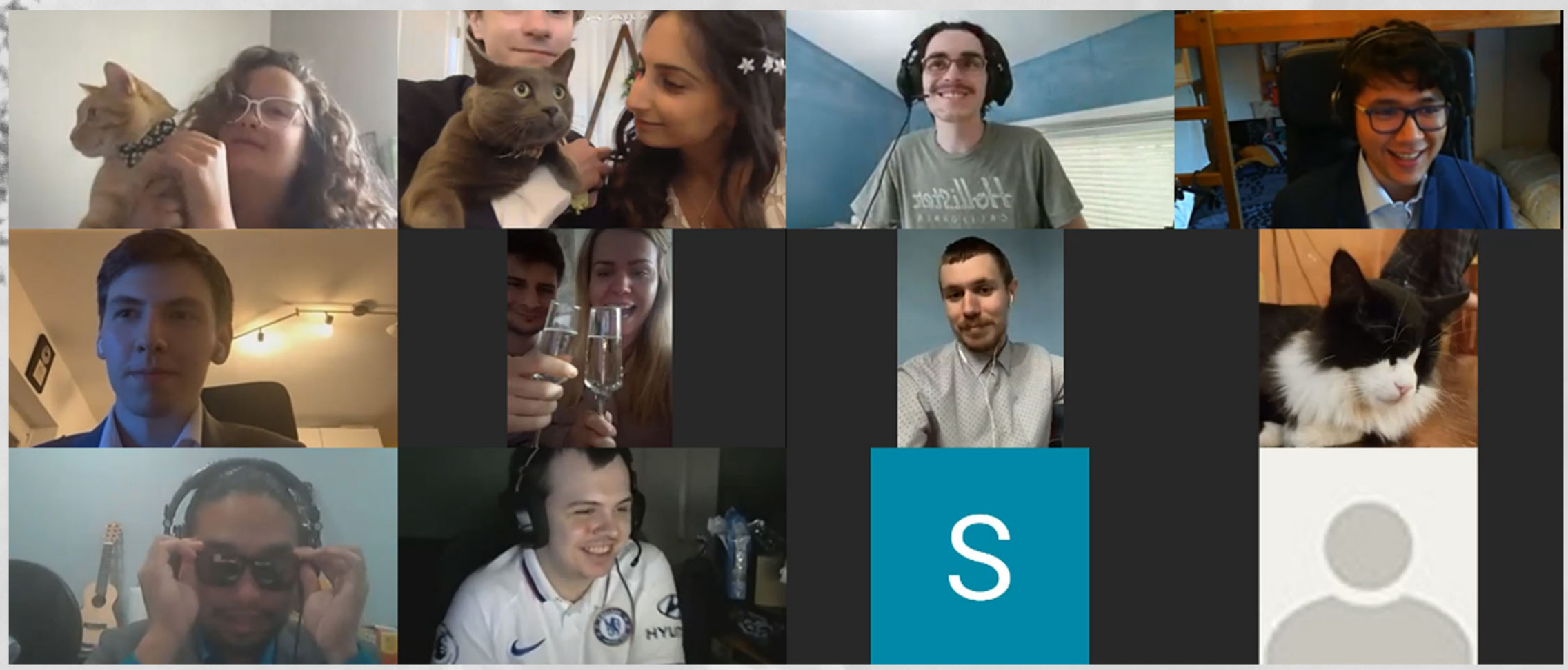


!g pain



meetups

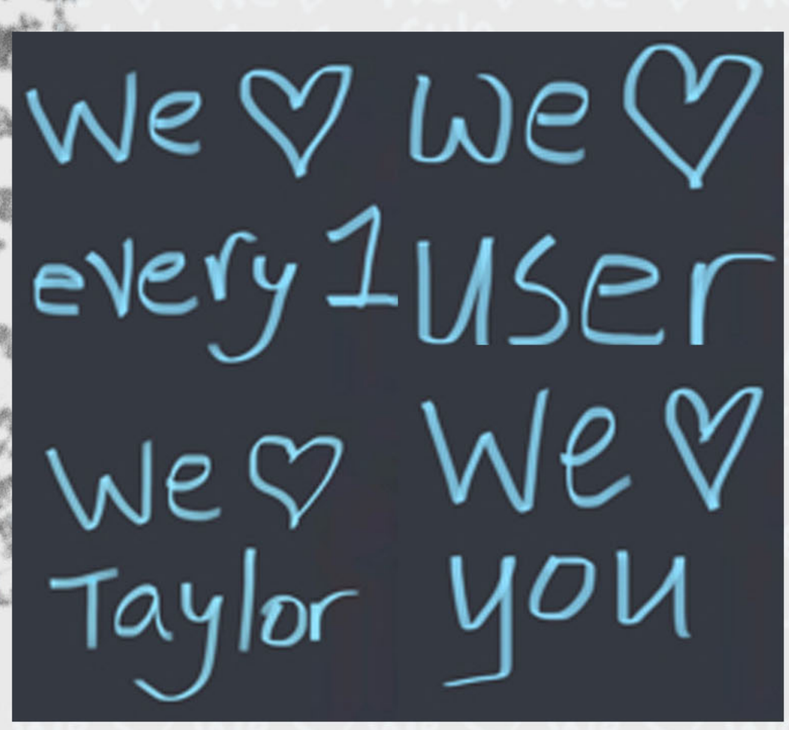
Due to an historic pandemic, there were obviously significantly less meetups this year. On July 4th, Serpent101 and wideeyedgazes, two longtime members who met on the server, celebrated their wedding virtually with some of us attending. We're so happy for you!



Dallas
January 31, 2020

North Carolina
October 31, 2020

memes

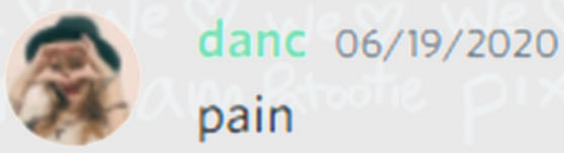


meme of the year

The best meme this year goes to "we heart emotes". These wholesome emotes are simple in design, but really rocked the server this year. First starting as an inside joke with Cassia and username13 in late April, they quickly multiplied and became popular. Most of them are hand drawn by Cassia and Addison, but they're being used to show appreciation to a number of members, groups and bots. This trend definitely brought needed positivity to this rough year.

pain

Although this phrase wasn't created in our server, it became very common when Danc popularized its use. It was very appropriate for the tough times we went through this year.

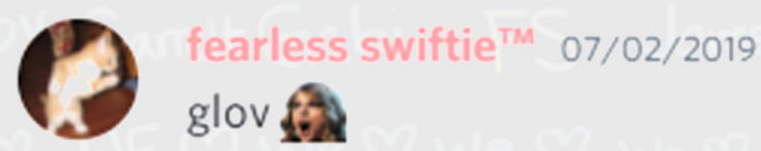


pew

Also popularized by Danc, this phrase started being used in August with the surge of trolls joining the server. It is a substitute for "ban" and is usually said by mods who just banned a troll.

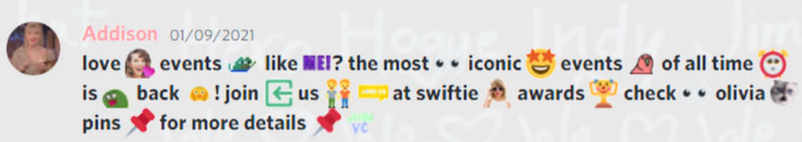
emoji greetings

Getting greeted with "your name :tayomg:"? This trend isn't totally new but it got way more popular this year. It is unclear who popularized it but fs, Glovsky, Mikeey and Mym are often credited as early users.



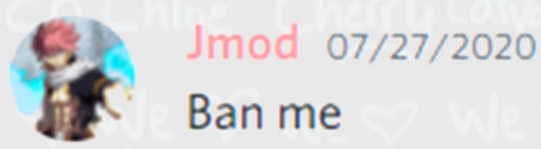
event promo

With the rising number of events, it wasn't easy to get eyes on your olivia pin. Largely popularized by Addison, this promo technique is emoji-filled and usually starts with "love x like me?".



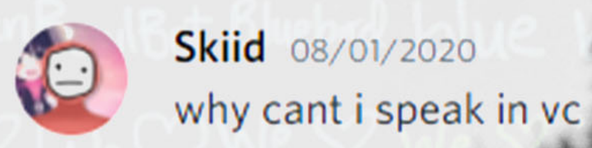
jban

One of the many variants to Jmod's name, this one refers to the running gag of him asking to be banned for no apparent reason. At the end of year 5, Luna did the honors and banned him for 24 hours.



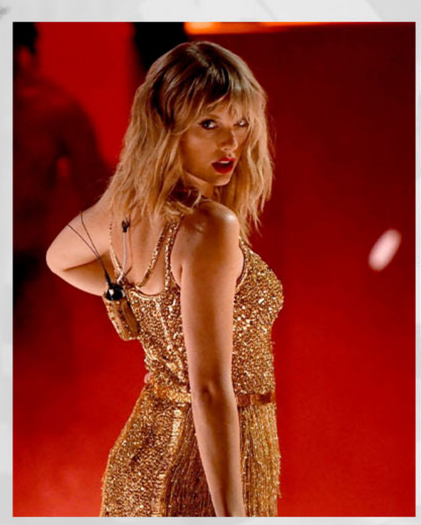
"why can't i speak?"

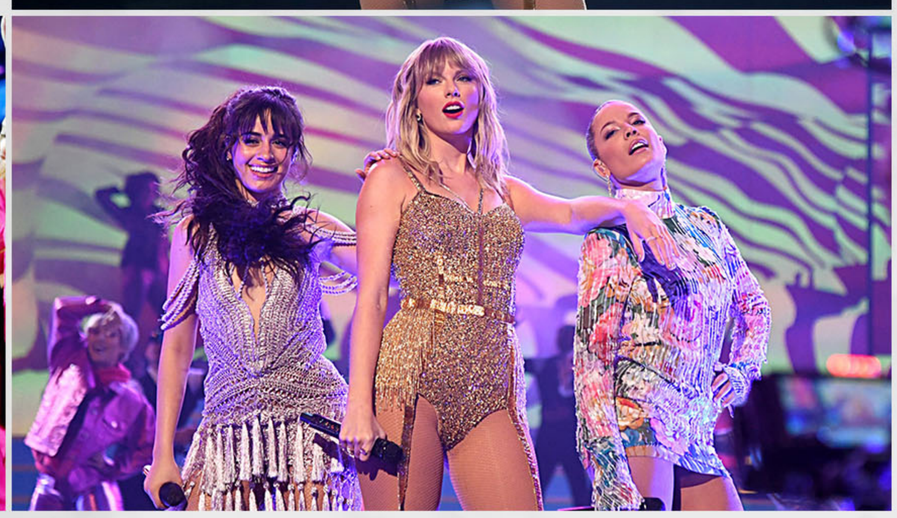
The introduction of the active role to better handle new members excluded them from voice chat, an easy target for trolls. This question became common for them and seen as a easy way to out themselves.



performances

We didn't get a lot of performances this year, but there were memorable ones. Our favorite was at the American Music Awards in November 2019, where Taylor accepted the Artist of the Decade award by creating an amazing medley of her career despite Scooter Braun pressuring her into not performing songs from her old albums.



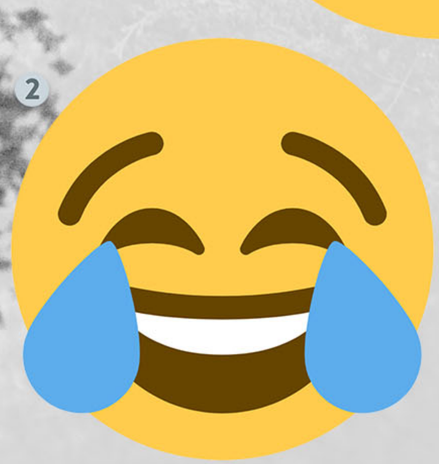


Our second favorite was at the Academy of Country Music Awards in September 2020, where Taylor performed "betty" for the first time. The minimal and dreamy stage was perfect for this stripped down rendition. The recording was then released on streaming platforms to be replayed forever.

Our third favorite was at the "One World: Together At Home", Global Citizen's covid-19 fund raising event in April 2020. Taylor delivered an emotional performance of "Soon You'll Get Better" on the piano, a song we thought we might never hear live. Some of us quickly got teary-eyed.

emoji

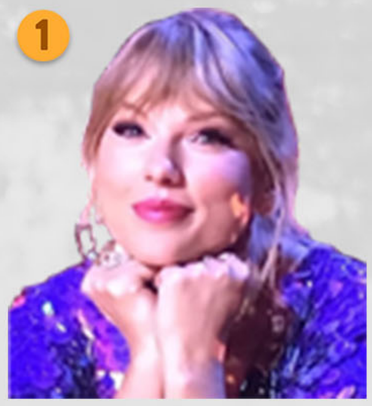
favorite emoji

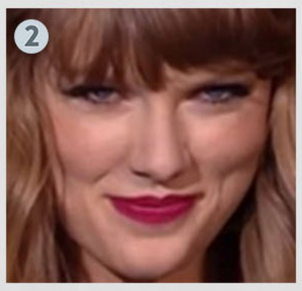


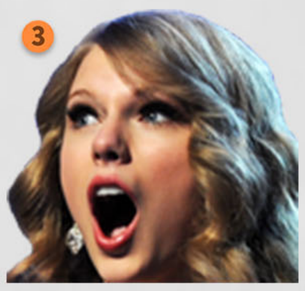
The pleading face emoji truly took the server by storm. Compared to joy and smirk, which have been present in our favorite emoji list for the past 5 years, pleading makes its first appearance this year. Many credit its popularity to the "shy pose" meme that use it along with point right and point left emoji. We've seen many variants of this emoji, including our very own "taypleading".

favorite server emoji

The favorite server emoji goes to :tayadmire:, which was created by pixelito based on Palem's idea and added on May 17th, 2020. The second and third place are occupied by :tayimp: and :tayomg:, respectively. :tayimp: also ended at second place last year. :tayomg:, on the other hand, has been used by select users for longer but was added to the server this year and saw a lot of growth in its usage.







most cursed emoji

This category was not even close, it is clear from the results that our winner is :taykey:. This monstrosity of an emote was created and added to a side-server by username13 as a combination of "taylor" and "turkey" to celebrate thanksgiving 2019. After the emote getting traction and creating debates about how cursed it is, it was added and removed from the server multiple times by different mods. This controversial emote is described as "my greatest creation" by username13.

timeline

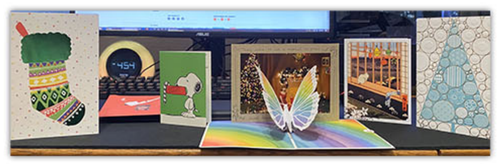
YEAR 5

November 24, 2019

Taylor performs at the AMAs

December 3, 2019

Holidays Card Exchange 2019



December 6, 2019

Christmas Tree Farm

December 13, 2019

Taylor accepts Woman of the Decade Award

December 16, 2019

Cats is released

January 21, 2020

Skinny joins!

One of the most active new users this year, skinny averaged **356** messages and **362** minutes every day!

January 25, 2020

#speakless is opened

The channel was added to accompany voice channels. Later, on August 20, #type-now was added and on August 28, the 1989 voice channel was added along with #blank-space.

January 29, 2020

Addison joins!

One of the most active new users this year, addison averaged **270** messages and **341** minutes every day!

January 31, 2020

Miss Americana

March 19, 2020

#covid-19 is opened

Many felt a channel was needed to have a focused space to discuss and share news about this historic pandemic.

March 10, 2020

Chloe joins!

One of the most active new users this year, chloe averaged **203** messages and **388** minutes every day!

February 27, 2020

The Man Music Video

timeline

March 22, 2020

kat13 joins!

One of the most active new users this year, katie averaged **191** messages and **294** minutes every day!

April 5, 2020

ジェイモード joins!

One of the most active new users this year, jmod averaged **182** messages and **358** minutes every day!

April 12, 2020

Easter Egg Hunt 2020

Our annual event is on again! Members attempt to find the 13 hidden eggs in the server as fast as possible. This year, Cassia comes out on top!

April 17, 2020

Lover Fest is postponed due to covid-19

Fighting COVID-19 is an unprecedented challenge for our global community and the safety and wellbeing of fans should always be the top priority. Health organizations and governments around the world have strongly discouraged large public gatherings for an undetermined period of time. With many events throughout the world already cancelled, and upon direction from health officials in an effort to keep fans safe and help prevent the spread of COVID-19, sadly the decision has been made to cancel all Taylor Swift live appearances and performances this year.

The U.S. and Brazil shows will be rescheduled to take place in 2021, with dates to be announced later this year. Tickets held for each of those shows will transfer to a new show date without action on the part of ticket holders.

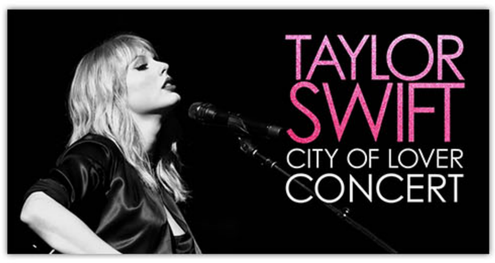
For those who desire refunds for tickets purchased for the U.S. Lover Fest shows, they will be available starting May 1st subject to Ticketmaster terms. Watch for an email from Ticketmaster with instructions on how to request one. For currently available information on all other performance dates, please visit TaylorSwift.com. Thank you so much for understanding. We look forward to seeing you all, happy and healthy, in the future.

April 18, 2020

One World: Together At Home

May 17, 2020

City of Lover Concert movie is released



June 5, 2020

Luna steps down as server owner

Thank you for creating this incredible community and everything you keep doing for us!

May 28, 2020

Jimbo! joins!

One of the most active new users this year, jimbo averaged **126** messages and **232** minutes every day!

May 24, 2020

tnguyen363 joins!

One of the most active new users this year, tn averaged **66** messages and **453** minutes every day!

June 10, 2020

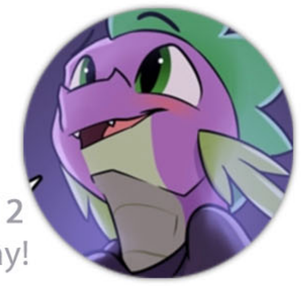
.Kaydin. joins!

One of the most active new users this year, kaydin averaged **18** messages and **286** minutes every day!

June 25, 2020

DancingDan22 joins!

One of the most active new users this year, dan averaged **30** messages and **312** minutes every day!



July 2, 2020

caroleen joins!

One of the most active new users this year, caroleen averaged **243** messages and **325** minutes every day!

timeline

#taylor-bowl is opened

On May 29, BiancaBot joined to offer voted battles between songs of the same level. So popular that we had to move it to its own channel!

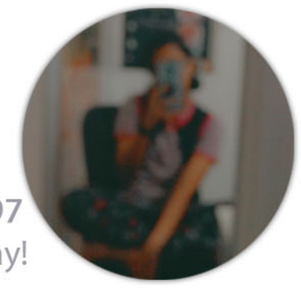
July 3, 2020

Serpent & Wideeyed get married

July 4, 2020

BlueBird13 joins!

One of the most active new users this year, blue averaged **209** messages and **297** minutes every day!



July 4, 2020

amie185 joins!

One of the most active new users this year, amie averaged **116** messages and **289** minutes every day!

July 23, 2020

We're featured on Discovery homepage!

Discord handpicked our community to be featured this summer. It was a major factor in the growth of the server, reaching 10,000 members on August 25. Discovery went back to normal on August 28.

July 20, 2020

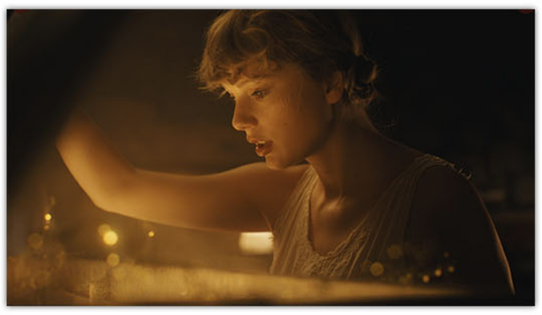
Username & Cassia are mods!

July 15, 2020

folklore

July 24, 2020

Cardigan Music Video



July 24, 2020

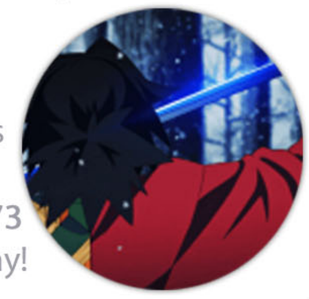
Tiffany joins!

One of the most active new users this year, tiffany averaged **133** messages and **270** minutes every day!

July 25, 2020

clueless joins!

One of the most active new users this year, clueless averaged **68** messages and **473** minutes every day!



August 14, 2020

lorpoint season

Luna brings back lorpoints, which rewards people for server activities. Daily questions, many server events, prize raffles and more! The season ended on November 15 with Caroleen, Jmod and Jimbo on top of the leaderboard.

August 14, 2020

Jole joins!

One of the most active new users this year, jole averaged **134** messages and **291** minutes every day!

July 26, 2020

timeline

hope joins!

One of the most active new users this year, hope averaged **107** messages and **288** minutes every day!

August 15, 2020

elyak joins!

One of the most active new users this year, kayle averaged **15** messages and **517** minutes every day!

September 4, 2020

Astrid joins!

One of the most active new users this year, astrid averaged **72** messages and **299** minutes every day!

September 7, 2020

Chloe & Rachel are mods!

September 23, 2020

kenn joins!

One of the most active new users this year, kenn averaged **130** messages and **271** minutes every day!

September 19, 2020

ACMs Awards

September 16, 2020

Discendium joins!

One of the most active new users this year, andrew averaged **30** messages and **273** minutes every day!

September 25, 2020

Accidental @everyone

Oops! For the first time since April 1, 2016, the @everyone tag is used. Chaos ensued and #meredith had to be locked temporarily.

September 30, 2020

Taylor endorses Joe Biden

Taylor makes it clear which side she's on for the 2020 US elections. We opened a temporary election channel on November 2, 2020.

October 7, 2020

Taylor announces the sale of her masters

Scooter sells Taylor's masters to "Shamrock Holdings", but under their agreement, Scooter is still profiting off of them for many years. Taylor confirms she is in the process of re-recording her musical catalog.

November 16, 2020

Spooky Week 2020

We celebrate Halloween again this year with 9 events in 10 days! Cassia and danc also organize an elaborate Spooky Puzzle with hidden candies to find by solving different challenges. Congratulations to Chloe, mym, username13, fs and sam for being the first team to complete it!

October 22, 2020

Dalton joins!

One of the most active new users this year, dalton averaged **75** messages and **370** minutes every day!

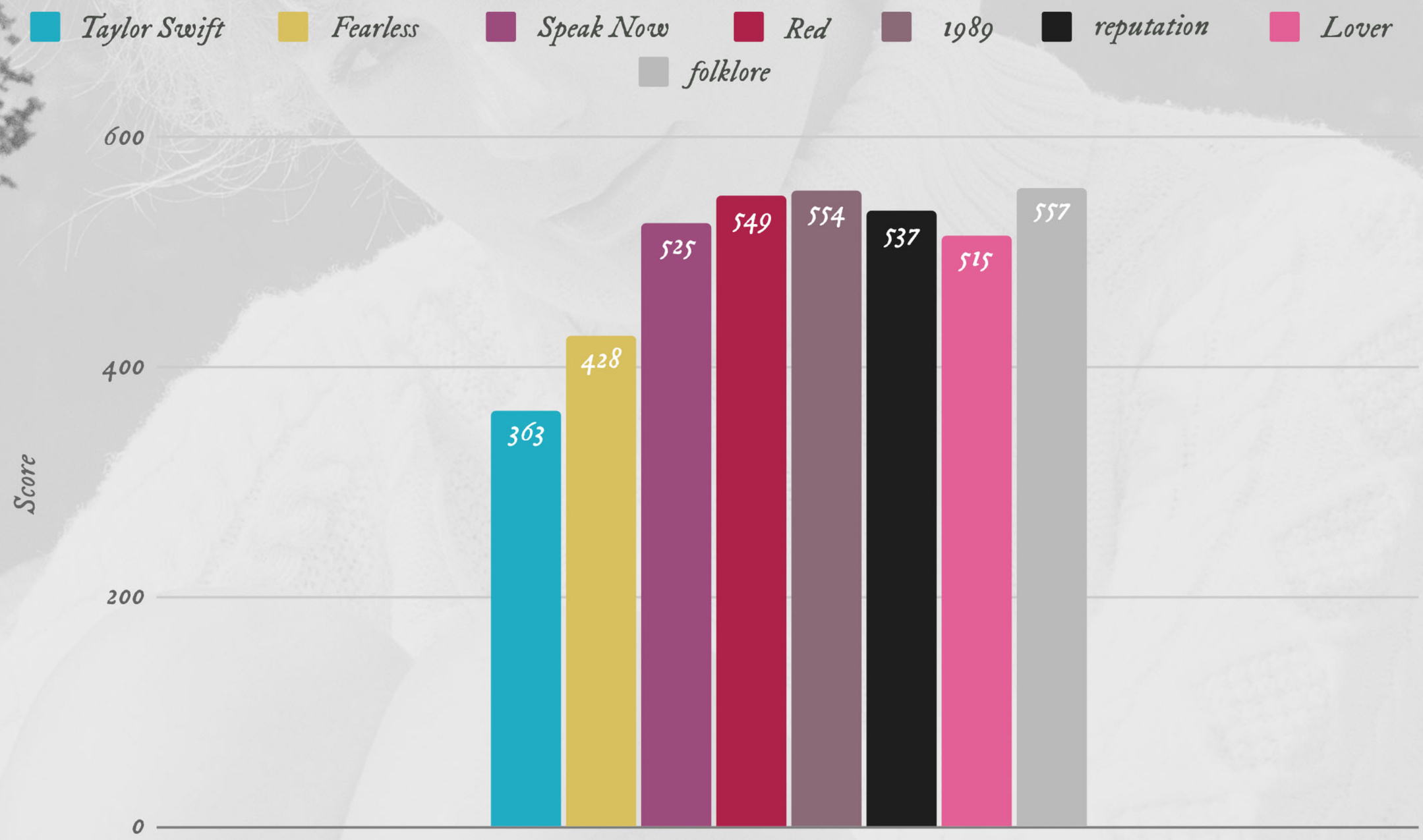
October 20, 2020

END OF YEAR 5

album ranking

As a tradition, we rank all of Taylor's albums. While we each hold every album close to our hearts, there will always be one that comes out slightly higher than the rest. The scores are pretty close this year.

Here's how the server as a whole ranks each album:



#1

#2

#3

Some interesting observations:

1. 'folklore' lands #1 while being the most recent release, we'll see if it's recency bias or if it lasts;

2. despite being released only 18 months ago, 'Lover' has dropped out of the top three completely;

3. '1989' has now been in each of the top three spaces at least once in the last three years;

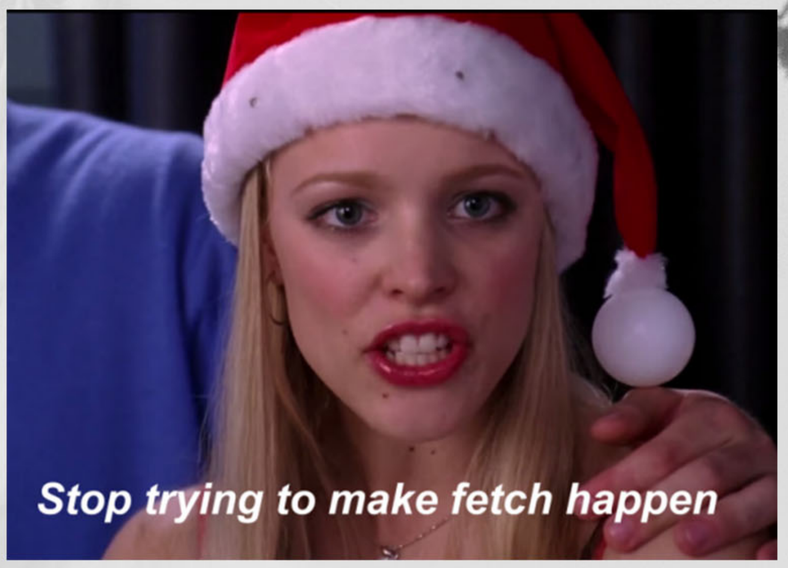
4. after four consecutive years at #2, 'Red' has now dropped to #3.

events

The worldwide pandemic shook up our lives in various ways and we had to work through many challenges. Fortunately, the community came together and organized lots of events to entertain ourselves during quarantine. Thank you to everyone who hosted an event, however small, for making our lives better during these times. There are too many to list, but I wanted to showcase some events that you mention a lot that made this year a little less painful.

fetch fridays

This recurring weekly event was started by Danc, Cassia and Kristi in April as a chance for us all to embrace our inner (or outer) teenage girl by watching the finest movies ever made. From Mean Girls to High School Musical and The Notebook, we can say this event made us appreciate distinguished art from the 2000s.



magical mondays

This recurring weekly event was started by Lydia in September, it hosted watch parties for Disney movies and sometimes included additional activities to complete related to them.

themed thursdays

Initially kpop only, this recurring weekly event, started in September by Fifi, Danc and Cassia, quickly expanded to various themed listening parties to celebrate different music genres or eras.

relax and draw

This monthly event was started by Kristi and Caroleen in September to provide a nice pause to... relax and draw! Thank you to everyone for sharing your art with the community!

swiftie bingo

Created by Danc and hosted by Everett on September 12th, this funny event was the first time many of us tried british bingo. Congratulations to Addison, BlueBird and Chloe for winning the top prizes!

taylor jeopardy

Hosted by Bianca on April 17th, this elaborate event was a fun way to compete in the famous game jeopardy, with custom Taylor questions. Congratulations to Gabi for winning the whole thing!

skribbl.io tourney

Hosted by Addison, Deite and Skinny on April 19th and September 25th, this tournament was the ultimate competitive skribbl.io event of the year. Cassia and Tiffany ended up on top!

events

baking challenge

This recurring event was started by Jole and Rachel in September and provided different recipes for members to try every week. From chocolate chip cookies to apple crisp and more, it was fun to see everyone's baking skills.

swiftie fest

After Lover Fest was postponed, Skinny organized a voice chat festival spanning 5 nights in June showcasing talented members of our community. Thank you to Jean, Skinny, Chris, Cassia, Rachel, Rose and fs for perfoming, as well as special guests Danc, Everett and Marvin!

lover fest discord

Again following Lover Fest's rescheduling, we got together on August 2nd to celebrate this cruel summer with a Lover Fest inspired listening party created by Lydia, Gabi, iAndrewC and Marvin.

swiftie awards

Skinny, Cherry and Brett organized this event on April 3rd to entertain ourselves in quarantine. It was then followed up by Cassia and Hermes with the hilarious floppies on April 20th.

charity event

Rachel hosted this event on October 11th with the idea of trading taypoints for real "fuck cancer" donations. Thank you to Everett, Shade, SWS, Luna, Garrett, Amie and Bubchi for bringing the total to $1300!

swiftie survivor

Danc and Cassia hosted this game based on the reality show "Survivor" in February and March. Alliances, challenges, drama and lots of memories! Congratulations to Kristi for winning!

swiftie detective

Hosted by Skinny, Fifi and Addison in August and September, this murder mystery event created friendships and was won by the Sleuthing Swifties (Chale, Pat, Cocowoof, Catvader and Ozar).

spread love

Organized by Luna, this event was part of the daily questions in September. Members were invited to send nice appreciation messages to selected people every day. Great way to make someone's day!

card exchange 2019

Following last year's success, we had our second card exchange for the holidays in December. Thank you to everyone who sent cards and made our friendships feel more real.

music

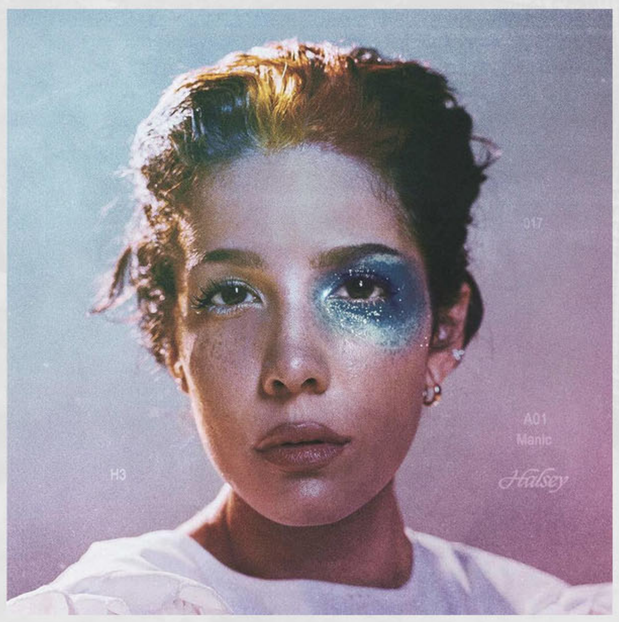
We may be a Taylor Swift server, but we're all music fans at heart. These are our favorite albums of the year excluding the beloved 'folklore':

dua lipa - future nostalgia

This second studio album by english singer Dua Lipa was released on March 27th, 2020 and was by far the most popular choice in the server. It was highly anticipated in our community, partly due to the three pre-release singles: "Don't Start Now", "Physical" and "Break My Heart". This project came just in time for us to enjoy it during quarantine!

ariana grande - positions

Ariana Grande comes in at the second place with her newest project, following last year's "thank u, next" phenomenon. This album came out on October 30th, 2020, with a single of the same name dropping a week before. This is not a surprise if you've been paying attention to all the Ariana avatars you can see in chat every day!



halsey - manic

Our third spot goes to Halsey's third studio album, released on January 17, 2020. It was preceded by the release of three singles: "Without Me", "Graveyard" and "You Should Be Sad". A lot of us expected to see this album performed live, possibly even at Lover Fest. Unfortunately, it will have to wait for another time!

honorable mentions

memories

joining and feeling very excited to talk to other swifties!! | my first listening party, tpab | events | being recognized when i got on the server for the second time, so wholesome | events and memes | getting introduced to new music with the community playlists and their events, it was awesome | jamming out to 22 with wonderful people to celebrate my 22nd birthday during lockdown | donran's sgamble all event where he lost everything | pride fest | feeling so welcomed when i joined because its a taylor swift server that i didn't know i needed | lorpoint season, relaxing in the server nap, skribblio tournament and swiftie fest: y'all are seriously talented and completely opened my eyes into why these songs are so great :) | playing among us, doing karaoke and dethroning atw | check olivia pins | getting to meet everyone <3 | staying up until 6am during swiftie sleepover: it was such a good time, 4am karaoke sessions (cough blade cough), casually talking, watching a disney movie and lyric spamming to sleepover bops | clueless 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 lol | swiftie sleepover | taybowl community | everyone talking about red and its re-recording | @everyone ping and lorpoint silly prizes | trolls | everyone freaking out when tay started posting the folklore cover | listening parties, games and movie nights distracting me from the rollecoaster of 2020 | @everyone was lit af | listening parties | grandma? | collective transition to stay at home orders around march 19th | the chaos when chloe pinged everyone, omg that dreadful message with yellow background | caroleen and katie's concerts | everyone freaking out over folklore release | january swiftie school and skribbl.io | djs everett, chloe, and fs teaching us classic rock | all the friendships i've developed due to events like survivor and detective, playing games and just chatting with new members | someone lost 354k through heist | jmod getting banned | the taylorbowl between delicate and blank space tying twice | folklore release | foodchat | gambling all of my taypoints away | cake in dishwasher | losing 3 millions taypoints in one gamble | laughing for hours at "state of france" and renaming songs like "wild west dreams", "back to november", first time i felt like i made friends and i belonged here | @everyone ping | the wholesome spread positivity event and the food chats in meredith | server discovery | becoming more active, making new friends, feeling comfortable within the server | lorpoint tournament | events and getting commands banned in meredith | being excluded from yearbook 2019 timeline, winning jeopardy and correctly guessing that ts8 was coming | mikeey's daily ping | folklore release | i just love when we all talk and have a great time together | server awards and swiftiefest, couldn't ask for anything better out of these events | watching ls and wet bake | the chaotic folklore release and the spread love event, everyone was so sweet! | spread love event | the voice | meeting my best friends | swiftie survivor and making new friends, hard to believe some of the people i talk to almost daily now weren't in the server at the start of the year | folklore release and swiftie detective | people being so welcoming to me, feeling like i've made some amazing friends, playing games and voicing with people almost every night | swiftie school, the floppies, swiftie sleepover and midnight memories listening party | being in listening parties and screaming lyrics with everyone | rep listening gang felt so real | gambling addictions | welcoming new members to the community, always fun to help them discover the server and its features | getting to know y'all and making many new friends from this server | my 6 hour chat cooldown, swiftie detective, bingo event | listening to jeans remix album, such a cool experience to follow its creation, thanks jean! | all of it everyone is so sweet | when mods @everyone that time | taylor randomly announcing folklore for the next 15 hours and the server being flooded with random people, pure chaos lol | swiftie detective | bowl spam | the first week of swiftie detective, i loved how it gave me the opportunity to get to know more people in the server and make friends | chasegang | carly barreling into the server and boosting 150 times | lyrics spam | kenn helping me make my faves | the state of france typo, the whole thing was just hilarious, it also spun off into taylor slow where we changed song names into funny titles | reputation listening party na on nov 10th, badasses assemble | kermit pic of the day | karaoke, swiftie detective, lorpoint season, cass and kristi throwing me a virtual sweet 16 party | covid houses | singing for catdaver's birthday, i plucked up the courage to sing and it went great, i felt so happy | yenso | all of the events i got to attend and host | waking up at 8am to see the server freaking out over the taylor's surprise folklore announcement, torturing voice chat with the recorder any chance i got | cass and user getting modded 3 days before we went up on discovery | spending so much time in voice chat really helped combat some coronavirus blues | karaoke nights and gifting each other taypoints | the cruel summer party | engaging with the community | discovering fleetwood mac in the rumours listening party in march | atw being dethroned, @everyone ping | meatball recipe | buddy quizzes | chloe's @everyone ping and lauren lipman joining | emily | typing (screaming) lyrics in all caps for listening parties, so much fun even if i don't know y'all irl! | had so much fun with state of france typo in taylor-discussion, inventing taylor slow with wild west dreams | everyone ping and spooky week | bianca's google-a-day question of pain | speaking for the first time in voice chat in june: it was some of the most fun i've had all year, by the end of the night, i had made some new friends and was grateful to have found the server :) | gambles and heists | playing animal crossing on voice chat with my friends :) | server nap | the listening parties | all the rachels | taylorbowls | meeting so many people and making so many new friends | serp and wide's online wedding | sws, leo, rachel, jmod giving back to the community with giveaways and nitro | raising cane's | our closest friends making a wedding server to commemorate our relationship with memories and lovely messages | people being especially kind to one another during lockdown | talking to new friends on new years eve, good times | the folklore release party | folklore listening party | fall guys (: | watch parties, listening parties, treasure hunts, contests | everyone making me feel home, like i had always been part of this server | y'all helping me to get through hard times, thank you | people giving me taypoints when i'm poor | wisteria lol | you made my quarantine, i love you all | everyone has been super kind to me